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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of this application. Applicants filed the application on May 16, 2001. Applicants sent a Status Inquiry March 6, 2003 and a response from the Patent Office dated 4/2/03 stated that it will be more than 15 months before this application will receive a first office action. As of this date, we have not received an office action. Applicants respectfully request a further status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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